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CONDITION OF WINTER CEREALS IN SOME COUNTRIES.

Recent crop conditions of winter cereals were reported as average for Alsace-Lorraine, Belgium, Great Britain, Italy, Japan, and Morocco. (International Institute of Agriculture, Rome, Italy.)

CROPS IN GENERAL.

BULGARIA.

Condition of Crops During November, 1919.

WHEAT:-Owing to unfavorable weather, sowing of wheat was interrupted and in many places the late harvesting of corn prevented the sowing of the same land for wheat. In view of this situation, a good harvest for 1920 can be expected only in case of peculiarly favorable weather conditions during winter and spring.

CORN:-The crop this year was unusually large. A yield of 31 to 46 bushels per acre is expected, which is exceptional for Bulgaria.

RICE:-The yield is generally satisfactory and the quality is excellent.

SUGARBEETS:-Owing to unfavorable weather, gathering and transportation continued late. In many localities a yield of 3 to 10 tons per acre is expected.

(Consul Graham Kemper, Sofia, December 30, 1919.)

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA (Bohemia, Moravia, and Silesia).

Production of cereals in 1919, in bushels: Wheat, 14,882,000; rye, 31,879,000; barley, 19,774,000; oats, 40,449,000. (International Institute of Agriculture)

DENMARK.

Production of the Principal Crops in 1919.
(1918 figures are given in brackets.)

Wheat, 5,900,000 bushels (6,330,000); rye, 14,900,000 bushels (13,726,000); barley, 24,600,000 bushels (21,465,000); oats, 47,500,000 bushels (41,571,000); mixed grain, 18,990,000 (16,279,000); buckwheat, 90,000 bushels (123,000); peas and other legumes, 660,000 bushels (417,000); hay, 1,244,000 short tons (833,000).

(Department of Statistics of Denmark.)

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CROPS IN GENERAL. -CONT'D.

EGYPT.

Condition of Crops During December, 1919.

CORN:-late crop is average.

WHEAT AND BARLEY:-Area appears to be smaller than usual, owing to the large area being prepared for cotton. Condition is good.

BEANS:-The area under the early crop is smaller than last year.

LENTILS:-Crop is in good condition.

ONIONS: Crop is growing well.

SUGARCANE:-Production estimated to be somewhat above average.
(Ministry of Agriculture of Egypt)

ENGLAND AND WALES.

Condition of Crops During December, 1919.

The young crops, where showing, are generally satisfactory, with the exception of some wheat on low-lying lands which has suffered a little from the wet. As compared with the same period a year ago, it is estimated that the area at present sown with wheat is slightly less.

(Board of Agriculture and Fisheries of England)

IRELAND.

Area Under the Principal Crops, 1919, in Acres.

(1918 figures are given in brackets.)

Wheat, 70,000 (157,000); oats, 1,442,000 (1,580,000); barley, 186,000 (185,000); rye, 5,220 (8,947); beans and peas, 1,689 (2,271); potatoes, 589,000 (702,000); turnips, 273,000 (295,000); mangolds and beet root, 75,000 (98,000); cabbage, 25,000 (27,000); flax, 96,000 (143,000); fruit, 19,797 (18,503); hay, 2,229,000 (2,470,000).

(Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland)

SWEDEN.

Production of the Principal Crops in 1918.

(1918 figures given in brackets)

Wheat, 9,509,000 bushels (9,003,000); rye, 23,073,000 bushels (19,793,000); barley, 12,891,000 bushels (11,670,000); oats, 75,351,000 bushels (57,880,000); mixed grain, 23,837,000 bushels of 44 pounds (19,044,000);

(The London Grain Seed and Oil Reporter.)

WHEAT.

The production of wheat in 1919-20 is estimated for Australia at 44,000,000 bushels against 75,138,000 bushels in 1918-19, and for Union of South Africa at 6,630,000 bushels in 1919-20 against 8,600,000 bushels in 1918-19.

(International Institute of Agriculture)

ROUMANIA.

There was a great reduction in the area sown to winter wheat.

(International Institute of Agriculture)

OATS.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA.

The production of oats in 1919-20 is estimated at 7,518,000 bushels.

(International Institute of Agriculture)

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RICE.

BRITISH INDIA.

Second Rice Forecast, 1919-20.

The area is estimated at 76,888,000 acres against 75,067,000 acres last year. The production estimates are not complete, owing to the absence of data from Madras and the United Provinces. The estimates as far as available give the production as 59,244,000,000 pounds of cleaned rice, the corresponding figures for last year being 43,236,000,000 pounds. (Department of Statistics of India).

BRITISH INDIA (PROVINCE OF BURMA).

Third Forecast..

The estimated exportable surplus of rice from the current crop (1919-20) is 3,417,000,000 pounds of cleaned rice against 4,480,000,000 pounds at the same time last year.

(Commissioner of Settlements and Land Records of Burma)

DUTCH EAST INDIES (JAVA).

The estimated production of rice on the rice fields for 1919 is estimated at 8,954,000,000 pounds of cleaned rice against 8,433,000,000 pounds in 1918.

(International Institute of Agriculture)

FORMOSA.

The production of hulled rice for 1919 is estimated at 1,570,-777,000 pounds.

(International Institute of Agriculture)

POTATOES.

BOHEMIA.

Area, Production, and Average Yield of Potatoes.

Year.	Area.	Production.	Average yield per acre.
	Acres.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1919	537,000	52,996,000	98.7
1918	547,000	45,138,000	82.5
1917	592,000	55,757,000	94.1
1914	753,000	123,859,000	164.9
1904-1913	777,000	112,959,000	145.3

(Board of Agriculture of Bohemia)

ITALY.

The area under potatoes in 1919 is estimated at 741,000 acres against 739,000 acres in 1918 and the production at 51,000,000 bushels in 1919 against 52,000,000 bushels in 1918.

(International Institute of Agriculture)

SUGAR.

ARGENTINA.

According to estimates of the Argentine Bureau of Rural Economy and Statistics, the production of sugar in Argentina during 1919 can be placed at 287,000 short tons. Subtracting the estimated total consumption of 258,000 tons and adding the stocks of imported and domestic sugar on hand, a surplus estimated at 57,000 tons is obtained.

A petition of the sugar millers to the Government, asking the repeal of the decree of August 8, 1919, prohibiting the export of sugar has been rejected, however, on the ground that it would tend to increase the domestic price. (Consul General W. Henry Robertson, Buenos Aires, November 20, 1919).-Commerce Reports.

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SUGAR.-CONT'D.

BRAZIL.

The production of cane sugar for 1918-19 is estimated at 440,300 short tons.
(International Institute of Agriculture)

GRAPES AND WINE.

SPAIN.

Production of Grapes, Wine and Raisins in 1918.
(1917 figures given in brackets)

Area under grapes 3,255,000 acres (3,198,000); production of grapes 4,208,834 short tons (4,485,605); grapes used for must 3,991,380 tons (4,251,230); must produced 596,169,000 gallons (627,737,000); grapes used for raisins in certain provinces 49,457 short tons (72,007).
(Advisory Agriculture Board of Spain)

BEANS AND PEAS.

MADAGASCAR.

The production of lima beans for 1919-20 is estimated at about 454,000 bushels or 147,000 bushels below the estimates made earlier in the season. The shortage is due to drought. The quality of the beans, however, appears to be excellent.
(Vice Consul E. A. Feibelman, Tananarive, November 12, 1919).-
Commerce Reports.

MEXICO (STATE OF SONORA).

The crop of chick peas was damaged by flood to the extent of 110,000 bushels.
(American Consulate, Guayamas, January 15, 1920)

COTTON.

BRAZIL.

The production of cotton for 1918-19 is estimated at 644,000 bales of 478 pounds. (International Institute of Agriculture)

BRITISH INDIA.

The third forecast places the area under cotton at 22,186,000 acres against 19,677,000 acres at the same period of 1918-19, and the production at 4,743,000 bales of 478 pounds against 2,746,000 bales.
(Department of Statistics of India)

OILSEEDS.

BRITISH INDIA.

The first forecast puts the area under rape and mustard seed for 1919-20 at 3,293,000 acres against 2,964,000 acres for the corresponding period of 1918-19 and the area under flaxseed at 2,245,000 acres against 2,032,000 acres in 1918-19.
(Department of Statistics of India)

INDIGO.

BRITISH INDIA.

The area under indigo in 1919-20 is estimated at 233,800 acres against 296,200 acres in 1918-19. The production of dye at 4,155,000 pounds against 4,906,000 pounds in 1918-19.
(Department of Statistics of India)

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LIVE STOCK.

IRELAND.

Number of Live Stock on June 1, 1919.
(1918 figures given in brackets)

Horses, 624,501 (613,807); mules and jennets, 25,582 (25,563); asses, 222,469 (232,159); total cattle, 5,029,450 (4,863,283); milch cows, 1,471,240 (1,481,291); sheep, 3,513,345 (3,627,178); pigs, 977,963 (974,385); goats and kids, 233,287 (277,114).

(Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction of Ireland)

WOOL.

PORTUGAL.

The production of wool for 1918-19 is estimated at 6,245,000 pounds. A considerable proportion of this quantity is available for export.

(Consul General W. L. Lourie, Lisbon, November 22, 1919).-
Commerce Reports.

STOCKS OF CEREALS.

FRANCE.

Stocks of Wheat and Wheat Flour in the Customs Warehouses.

	WHEAT. Bushels.	WHEAT FLOUR. Barrels.
September 30, 1919	202,246	40,528
August 31, 1919	403,875	49,241
September 30, 1913	1,555,433	25,595

(International Institute of Agriculture)

UNITED KINGDOM.

Stocks of Wheat, Wheat Flour and Oats in the Ports of
Bristol, Fleetwood, Gloucester, Hull, Liverpool,
Manchester, Newcastle, Sunderland; also in
Scotland (Glasgow and Leith included)
and in Ireland.

	WHEAT. Bushels.	WHEAT FLOUR. Barrels.	OATS. Bushels.
December 1, 1919	3,153,210	973,139	4,757,995
November 1, 1919	3,388,415	1,168,917	2,225,427
December 1, 1913	9,268,300	247,193	1,642,985

(International Institute of Agriculture)

AUSTRALIA.

The stock of old wheat on December 31, 1919 were 65,333,000 bushels.

(International Institute of Agriculture)

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